Please Amend Claims 1, 2 and 5-7 as follows:

(Currently Amended) A non-reciprocal circuit element comprising:
a yoke including, therein:

a magnetic plate;

a plurality of line conductors disposed on a <u>first</u> main surface of the magnetic plate and insulated from one another, each line conductor having a terminal segment;

a plurality of capacitor chips disposed around the magnetic plate; and

a magnet for applying a DC bias magnetic field in a direction substantially perpendicular to the <u>first</u> main surface of the magnetic plate,

wherein the line conductors intersect on a <u>second</u> main surface of the magnetic plate and are connected to one another on the <u>otherfirst</u> main surface of the magnetic plate, the terminal segments of the line conductors are connected to the capacitor chips, and the magnet has a major axis and a minor axis in plan view and has a convex surface on at least one peripheral portion thereof.

- 2. (Currently Amended) The non-reciprocal circuit element according to claim 1, wherein the magnet has a plan-view shape generated by partially cutting one of a circle orand an ellipse along a straight line.
- 3. (Original) The non-reciprocal circuit element according to claim 1, wherein the magnet has an elliptic shape in plan view.
- 4. (Original) The non-reciprocal circuit element according to claim 2, wherein the magnet has a plan-view shape of a racing track.
- 5. (Currently Amended) The non-reciprocal circuit element according to claim 1, wherein a projection plane of the magnetic plate is <u>one of identical</u> to <u>orand</u> completely disposed within a projection plane of the magnet.

- 6. (Currently Amended) The non-reciprocal circuit element according to claim 1, wherein theone of a ratio of the minor axis of the magnet to the minor axis of the magnetic plate or the and a ratio of the major axis of the magnet to the major axis of the magnetic plate ranges from 1.0 to 1.9.
- 7. (Currently Amended) The non-reciprocal circuit element according to claim 6, wherein the one of the ratio of the minor axis of the magnet to the minor axis of the magnetic plate or and the ratio of the major axis of the magnet to the major axis of the magnetic plate ranges from 1.6 to 1.9.